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### AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- Claim 1. (original) A method of preventing a pregnancy by administering a safe and effective amount of activated carbon to a subject in need thereof.
- Claim 2. (original) A method of preventing a sexually transmitted disease by administering a safe and effective amount of an activated carbon to a subject in need thereof.
- Claim 3. (original) The method of Claim 2 wherein the sexually transmitted disease is selected from the group consisting of chlamydia, gonorrhea, syphilis, genital herpes and acquired immunodeficiency syndrome.
- Claim 4. (original) A composition comprising:
- a safe and effective amount of an activated carbon; and
  - a safe and effective amount of a spermicidal agent, an anti-sexually transmitted disease agent, or mixtures thereof.
- Claim 5. (original) The composition of Claim 4, wherein the activated carbon is selected from the group consisting of activated carbon coated particles and activated cloth carbon.
- Claim 6. (original) The composition of Claim 4; wherein the spermicidal agent is nonoxynol-9.
- Claim 7. (original) The composition of Claim 4, wherein the anti-sexually transmitted disease agent is selected from the group consisting of surfactant agent, anti-metabolite agent, competitive binding inhibitor agent and mixtures thereof.
- Claim 8. (currently amended) The composition of Claim 7, wherein the surfactant anti-sexually transmitted disease agent is selected from the group consisting of saponin, nonoxynol-9, octoxynol-9, chlorhexidine, benzalkonium halide, triclosan and mixtures thereof.

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- Claim 9. (original) The composition of Claim 7, wherein the anti-metabolite agent is azidothymidine.
- Claim 10. (currently amended) The composition of Claim 4, further comprising other active ingredient ~~for preventing a pregnancy or preventing a sexually transmitted disease~~, wherein the other active ingredient is selected from the group consisting of polyamides, clays, pollens, polysaccharides, metal oxides, metal carbonates and mixtures thereof.
- Claim 11. (currently amended) A composition comprising a safe and effective amount of an inorganic oxide or carbonate substrate coated with an activated carbon, and a safe and effective amount of a spermicidal agent, an anti-sexually transmitted disease agent, or mixtures thereof.
- Claim 12. (currently amended) The composition of Claim 11, wherein the inorganic oxide substrate is selected from the group consisting of silicon dioxide, titanium dioxide, zinc oxide, calcium oxide, ~~calcium oxide~~ and mixtures thereof.
- Claim 13. (currently amended) The composition of Claim 12, wherein the activated carbon is ~~a safe and effective amount and a~~ thermoset phenolic resin.
- Claim 14. (cancelled)
- Claim 15. (original) A method of preventing a pregnancy by administering a safe and effective amount of a composition comprising an inorganic oxide or carbonate substrate coated with activated carbon to a subject in need thereof.
- Claim 16. (currently amended) A method of preventing a sexually transmitted disease by administering a safe and effective amount of a composition comprising an inorganic oxide substrate coated with activated carbon to a subject in need thereof.
- Claim 17. (currently amended) A kit ~~for preventing~~ for preventing a pregnancy or preventing a sexually transmitted disease comprising:  
a. a unit dose form of an activated carbon;

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- b. a unit dose form of ~~an~~ a spermicidal agent, an anti-sexually transmitted disease agent, or mixtures thereof;
- c. a package containing components (a) and (b); and
- d. optionally directions for use thereof.

Claim 18. (currently amended) A kit ~~for preventing~~ for preventing a pregnancy or preventing a sexually transmitted disease comprising:

- a. a unit dose form of an activated carbon;
- b. a barrier agent;
- c. a package containing components (a) and (b); and optionally directions for use thereof.